

STRONG PROUD
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CMPT 374

Midterm— closed book / open mind
February 16, 00

Total Marks: 50

Time: 50 Minutes

Answer all of the questions in the spaces provided in this exam paper. If you don't have enough space, write on the back of the page, indicating clearly that your answer is continued there. Be sure to pace yourself according to the marks allotted to each question ... good luck!!!

A	10
B	6
C	5
D	4
E	8
Total	.

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Part A) SQL**(10 Points)**

Please use the following relations when answering the questions of part A.

Relation:

P

PN	PName	Color	Weight	City
P1	Nut	Red	12	London
P2	Bolt	Green	17	Paris
P3	Screw	Blue	17	Rome
P4	Screw	Red	14	London
P5	Cam	Blue	12	Paris
P6	Cog	Red	19	London

Relation:

S

SN	SName	Status	City
S1	Smith	20	London
S2	Jones	10	Paris
S3	Blake	30	Paris
S4	Clark	20	London
S5	Adams	30	Athens

Please write the result (relation) of the following SQL statements in the free space below each query. Each question is worth 2 points !

1)

SELECT SName, Status

FROM S

WHERE City = (SELECT City FROM P WHERE Color = 'Green')

SName Status

Jones 20

Ala 30

✓

2)

SELECT COUNT(*) AS Places, City

FROM S

GROUP BY City

Places City

2 London

2 Paris

1 Rome

✓

3)

SELECT DISTINCT Status

FROM S

20

30

40

50

✓

4)
SELECT COUNT(*) AS PLACES, City
FROM S
GROUP BY City
HAVING COUNT(*) > 1
ORDER BY City DESC

PLACES	City
2	Paris
2	London

✓

5)
SELECT *
FROM S
WHERE City < 'Sofia'

SN	SNAME	STARTS	CITY
51	Smith	20	London
52	Johnson	10	Paris
53	White	20	Paris
54	Black	20	London
55	Green	20	London

✓

Part B) Relational Algebra

(10 Points)

4 Points

1) Name Codd's original eight algebraic operations.

Restriction/selection ✓
Union ✓
Join (natural) ✓
Cartesian Product ✓
Divide ✓
Intersection ✓
Difference ✓
Projection ✓

⑨

4 Points

2) Some of Codd's original eight algebraic operations are considered to be primitive. Name the "non primitive" algebraic operations and redefine one of them by use of the original primitive algebraic operations.

Join

Intersection
Division

Projection

Difference
Product
Union

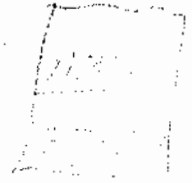
Intersection
Projection



2 Points

3) Show how to modify (update) a tuple by use of Codd's original eight algebraic operators.

1. Set θ 1 tuple using restriction
2. Set θ 1 tuple using difference
3. Add θ 1 tuple using union



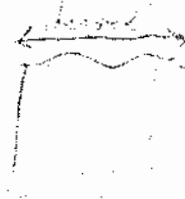
Part C) Basic Definitions

(10 Points)

1 Point

1) What is the meant with the "degree" of a relation?

no. of attributes



C

1 Point

2) What is meant with the "cardinality" of a relation?

no. of tuples



C

2 Point

3) Name the two types of data independence.

① physical

② logical

2 Point

WANTED PICTURE

4) Draw and explain the ANSI-SPARC three level architecture.

PICTURE = 1 point
EXPLANATION = 1 point

External
- provides the user view interface

Conceptual
- provides a community view and defines schema

Internal
- describes physical level
- how data is physically stored

2 Points

5) Name the four types of operations supported by the DML.

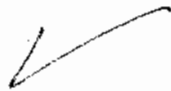
~~DML = Data Manipulation Language~~

Insertion

Deletion

update

select



2 Points

6) What is the difference between a "view" and a "base relation"?

virtual table

- Base relation is a table which is physically stored in the database

- a view is a virtual relation presented to the user as a base relation. It is a logical view, a subset of a base relation.

Part D) The three record based data models

(12 Points)

Assume that there is a N:M relationship between students and classes e.g. a student can take multiple classes and a class is taken by multiple students. Show how such a N:M relation is modeled in the three record based data models.

3Points

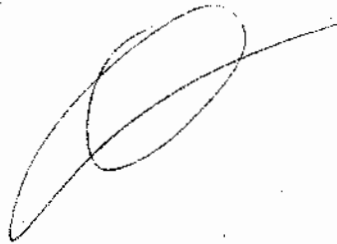
- 1) Show how the N:M student-class relation is treated in a relational data model.**

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3 Points

2) Show how the N:M student-class relation is treated in a network data model.



3 Points

3) Show how the N:M student-class relation is treated in a hierarchical data model.

- Hierarchical is designed for 1:M relationships.
- N:M can only be supported by using multiple relations with duplicate & hence.



- MENTION: POINTERS, REDUNDANCY.

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SHOULD HAVE 1 OR 2 CRITERIA
FOR EACH MODEL.

3 Points

- 4) Compare the three record based data models (use a table). Name specific strengths and weaknesses of each model.

	Strength	Weakness
Relational	Supports 1NM relations easily Supports recursion easily	slow
Network	Supports 1NM relations easily	
Hierarchical	Supports 1NM relations easily Supports referential integrity To find a path from one child to another	only supports 1NM by testing the relation cannot refer

Part E) Functional dependencies

(8 Points)

5 Points

- 1) Determine the irreducible set of functional dependencies for the following 5 functional dependencies. Please document every step in determining the irreducible set.

$A \rightarrow BC$

$B \rightarrow C$

$A \rightarrow B$

$AB \rightarrow C$

$AC \rightarrow D$

1. $A \rightarrow BC \Rightarrow A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C$ decomposition

2. $AC \rightarrow D$

$A \rightarrow C \Rightarrow A \rightarrow AC \Rightarrow A \rightarrow D$ augmentative, transitive

3. $AB \rightarrow C$

$A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow A \rightarrow AB \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C$ augmentative, transitive

4. So far we have

$A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C$

$A \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D$

$B \rightarrow C$

$A \rightarrow B$

5. Remove duplicates

$A \rightarrow B$

$A \rightarrow C$

$B \rightarrow C$

$A \rightarrow D$

6. $A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C \Rightarrow A \rightarrow C$

Therefore can remove $A \rightarrow C$

Therefore final set is

$A \rightarrow B, B \rightarrow C, A \rightarrow D$

1 Point

- 2) Which attributes of a relation are functionally dependent on the candidate key?

Candidate key says attributes are functionally dependent on the candidate key.

✓ attributes which are determined by the candidate key.

1 Point

- 5) When is a relation in "third normal form"?

A relation that is in first and second normal form and all functional dependencies have been removed.

1 Point

- 6) What is the purpose of normalization?

To maintain a relation in 3rd normal form and to avoid anomalies.

To eliminate anomalies when performing certain operations on a relation.